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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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Period for Reply

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Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 November 2001.
 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) 1-30 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
 6) Claim(s) 1-30 is/are rejected.
 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) The drawing(s) filed on 11/9/01 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>110901;053003</u> .	5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
	6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Hariguchi (6,181,698).

As per claims 1, 9, 17 and 25, Hariguchi discloses receiving the message; requesting a destination address for the function instance from a local repository; whenever the destination address is local, sending the message to the function instance; whenever the destination address is remote, packaging the message with the destination address and sending the packaged message to the function instance; and whenever the destination address is not found, requesting the destination address for the function instance from a remote repository, packaging the message with the requested destination address and sending the packaged message to the function instance (column 1, lines 45-50, column 9, lines 46-57, column 13, lines 40-49).

As per claims 2 and 10, Hariguchi discloses sending the message to a queue for delivery of the message to the function via a dispatcher (figure 8).

As per claims 3, 11, 19 and 27 Hariguchi discloses storing the destination address (column 1, lines 11-24).

As per claims 4, 12, 20 and 28, Hariguchi discloses label/identifier (column 7, lines 5-20).

As per claims 5, 6, 13, 14, 21, 22, 29 and 30, Hariguchi discloses the use of routing table, which is functional equivalent to look-up tables and databases (column 1, lines 43-45).

As per claims 7, 8, 15, 16, 23 and 24, receiving a message remotely or locally is a user's choice (sender).

As per claims 18 and 26, Hariguchi discloses a queue communicably coupled to the messaging agent; a dispatcher communicably coupled to the queue; and the messaging agent sending the message to the function instance by sending the message to the queue for delivery of the message to the function instance via a dispatcher (figure 8, abstract).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Olga Hernandez whose telephone number is 571-272-7144. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thu 8:30am-7:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Wiley can be reached on 571-272-3923. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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